

URBAN DISTRICT OF HOLYWELL.Section A.

24 SEP 1949

Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area.

Area. There has been no change of boundary and the area of the Urban District remains at 2532.4 statutory acres.

Population. The population of the Urban District estimated at mid-year 1948 by the Registrar-General, was 7,840. The corresponding figure for the year 1947 was 7,931.

Inhabited Houses. There were 2,386 inhabited houses in the Urban District at the end of the year.

The average number of persons per house was therefore 3.324.

The population density of the area was 3.09 persons per statutory acre.

Product of a penny-rate = £153.7974
Rateable Value = £39,793.

Social Conditions. There is no important change to report.

Vital Statistics. These are given in tabular form and where possible, the corresponding figures for England and Wales are given.

TABLE I. BIRTHS.

<u>Classification.</u>	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Rate per</u> <u>1000 pop-</u> <u>ulation.</u> <u>1948.</u>	<u>Rate per</u> <u>1000 total</u> <u>live and</u> <u>stillbirths.</u> <u>1948.</u>
<u>Live births.</u>					
Legitimate.	81.	73.	154.	19.64	
Illegitimate.	2.	1.	3.	0.38	
<u>Legitimate &</u> <u>Illegitimate.</u>	83.	74.	157.	20.03	
<u>Stillbirths.</u>					
Legitimate.	5.	3.	8.	1.02	48.19
Illegitimate.	1.	-.	1.	0.13	6.02
<u>Legitimate and</u> <u>Illegitimate.</u>	6.	3.	9.	1.15	54.21
<u>ALL BIRTHS.</u> (Live and still).	89.	77.	166.	21.17	-

England and Wales.

Live births per 1,000 civilian population. 17.9
Stillbirths per 1,000 civilian population. 0.42

It will be noted from the foregoing table that the birth rate was in excess of the corresponding rate for England and Wales as a whole.



TABLE II.

Deaths - General Rate.

	Males.	Females.	Total.	Rate per 1,000 population
				1948.
All ages				
(all causes)	43.	29.	72.	9.183

England and Wales Death Rate per 1,000 civilian population 10.8

The crude death-rate for the Urban District is thus seen to be considerably below the death-rate for England and Wales as a whole. The standardised rates are not available.

TABLE III. Deaths - Analysis.

Cause of Death.	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.
Heart Disease.	13.	7.	20.
Causes (other than elsewhere specified.)	5	5	10
Pneumonia.	6	2	8
Bronchitis.	4	2	6
Cancer (other than stomach and duodenum.)	3	2	5
Intra Cranial Vascular Lesions.	2	3	5
Diseases of Circulatory System (Not elsewhere specified.)	4	0	4
Cancer of stomach and duodenum.	2	1	3
Respiratory diseases (not elsewhere specified.)	1	1	2
Nephritis.	0	2	2
Congenital malformations, Birth injuries, Infantile Diseases.	0	2	2
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System.	1	0	1
Influenza.	0	1	1
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum.	1	0	1
Maternal causes (Other than sepsis)	0	1	1
Violent causes (Other than road accidents.)	1	0	1
TOTALS.	43	29	72

TABLE IV. Maternal Mortality - One death occurred during the year due to childbirth.

TABLE V.

Death-rates. Infantile.
(i.e. Infants under one year)

	Males.	Females.	Total.	Rate per 1,000 live births.	England and Wales.
				1948.	1948.
Legitimate.	-	2	2	12.99	-
Illegitimate.	-	-	-	-	-
Leg. & Illeg.	-	2	2	12.74	34.

SECTION B. General Provision of Health Services for the Area.

Officers: Medical Officer of Health: Doctor C.E. Morris,
Sanitary Inspector & Surveyor: John Topham,

Laboratory Facilities.

Laboratory investigations were carried out at the Public Health Laboratory at Conway.

Ambulance Facilities.

Until July 5th an ambulance owned by the Urban District Council served the area.

From July 5th - Flintshire County Council, the Local Health Authority became responsible for the ambulance service. An ambulance is stationed in Holywell and a 24 hour service is available.

Nursing in the Home.

Until July 5th - provided by voluntary organisation.

From July 5th - became the responsibility of the Flintshire County Council.

Midwifery in the Home.

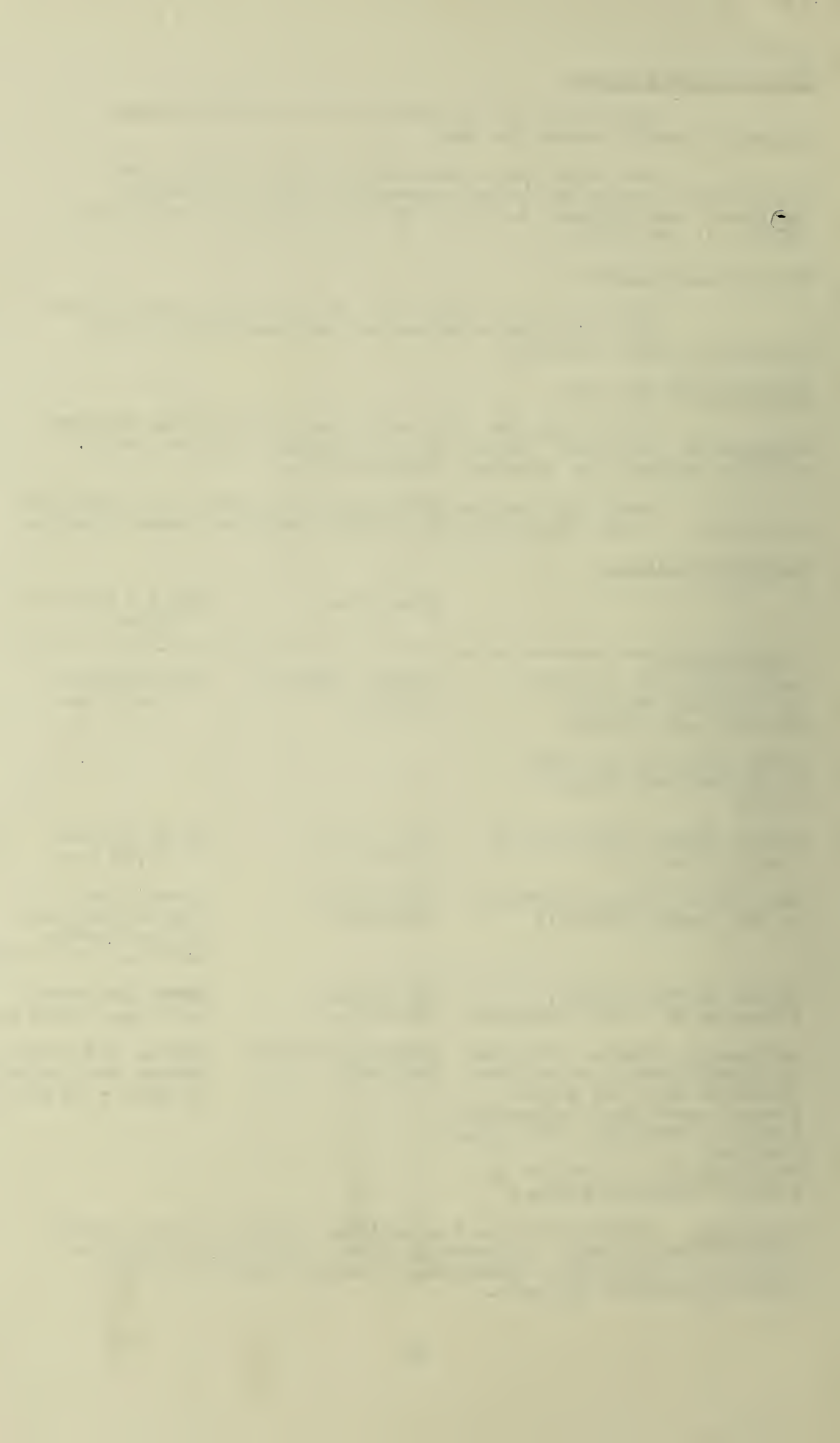
Until July 5th this service was provided by midwives employed by the County Council in a whole-time capacity and by midwives employed by voluntary organisations.

From July 5th the provision of a domiciliary midwifery service is the responsibility of the Flintshire County Council.

Treatment Clinics.

	Situation.	Dates & Times of opening.
Tuberculosis. Until July 5th, provided by the Welsh National Memorial Association.	Cottage Hospital, HOLYWELL.	Every Tuesday 10.30 a.m.
Since July 5th, provided by the Regional Hospital Board.		
School Clinic. (Provided by County Council.)	The Clinic, HOLYWELL.	Every Friday. 9.30 a.m.
Ante Natal Clinic. (Provided by the County Council.)	The Clinic, HOLYWELL.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month. 9.30 a.m. - 12 noon.
Infant Welfare Clinic. (Provided by County Council).	The Clinic, HOLYWELL.	Every Thursday. 9.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.
Orthopaedic Clinic. (Provided by County Council under arrangements with the Robert Jones & Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital, Oswestry, Until July the 5th. (From July 5th - Provided by Regional Hospital Board.)	Holywell Cottage Hospital.	Second and fourth Friday each month. 10 a.m. - 12 noon.

Hospitals. Since July 5th, the Regional Hospital Board provide hospital facilities. Patients from the Urban District may be admitted to the Cottage Hospital, to Llesty Hospital and to hospitals outside the area.



SECTION C.

Sanitary Inspection of the Area. Particulars of Notices and Inspections during the year ending 31st December, 1948 (required by Statute to be included in the Medical Officer's Report).

<u>No. of Notices.</u>		<u>Nature.</u>	<u>Result.</u>
<u>Informal.</u>	<u>Formal.</u>		
26.	-	Notice to provide dustbins.	Dustbins provided.
45.	2.	Nuisances.	41 nuisances abated.
12.	-	Notice to School Managers, Employers &c., of the occurrence of Infectious Diseases.	Suitable action taken.

Inspections.

<u>Number.</u>	<u>Nature.</u>
340.	Inspections of Dwelling houses for the purposes of the Housing Acts and Public Health Acts.
8.	Inspection of Slaughterhouses.
36.	Inspection of Dairies and Cowsheds.
47.	Inspection of New Buildings for the purposes of Building Bye-laws.
29.	Inspections made in connection with cases of Infectious Diseases.
27.	Inspection of Foodshops.
30.	Inspection of Bakehouses.

Shop Acts. 18 inspections.

Smoke Abatement. No action taken.

Swimming Baths. No change.

Eradication of Bed-Bugs.

No. of Council Houses found to be infested.....	2
No. of Council Houses disinfested.....	2
No. of other houses found to be infested.....	6
No. of other houses disinfested.....	6

SECTION D.

Housing. In abeyance. No change.

1. Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year.

- 1 (a). Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects under Public Health Acts. - 176.
- (b). No. of inspections made for the purpose 340.
- 2 (a). (i) No. of dwellinghouses (included under subhead above) which were included and recorded under the housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 and 1932. Nil.
- (ii) No. of inspections made for this purpose. Nil.
- (iii) No. of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation. 4.
- (iv) No. of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding subhead) found not to be in all respects, reasonably fit for human habitation. 34.

2. Remedy of defects during the year without service of Formal Notice.

No. of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers.
- 134.



3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

- (a) Proceedings under Section 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.
- (i) No. of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs. Nil.
- (ii) No. of dwellinghouses rendered fit after serving of formal notices.
- (a) by owners. Nil.
- (b) by Local Authority. Nil.
- (b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts.
- (i) No. of houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied. 2.
- (ii) No. of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after serving of formal notices.
- (a) by owners. 2.
- (b) by Local Authority in default of owners. Nil.
- (c) Proceedings under Section 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.
- (i) No. of dwellinghouses in respect of which demolition orders were made. Nil.
- (ii) No. of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders. Nil.
- (d) Proceedings in respect of Section 2, Housing Act, 1936.
- (i) No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made. Nil.
- (ii) No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were determined. Nil.

4. Housing Act, 1936. Part 4 - Overcrowding.


- (a) (i) No. of dwellinghouses overcrowded at end of year - Unknown.
- (ii) No. of families dwelling therein - Unknown.
- (iii) No. of persons dwelling therein - Unknown.
- (iv) (b) No. of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year - Unknown.
- (c) No. of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year - Unknown.
- No. of persons concerned in such cases - Unknown.

SECTION E.

Milk Supply. The Milk supply was maintained at its usual standard throughout the year. Inspections of farms were carried out as time permitted.

Carcases inspected and Condemned.

	Cattle ex- cluding Cows.			Sheep & Lambs.		Pigs.
	Cows.	Calves.				
Number killed.....	629.	253.		4,358.		27.
Number inspected.....	629.	253.		4,358.		27.
All diseases except Tuberculosis Whole						
Carcases condemned...	5.	-.		-.		-.
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	24.	-.		71.		-.
Percentage of number insp- ected affected with disease other than tuberculosis.	4.6	-.		1.6		-.
Tuberculosis only. Whole carcases condemned.....	8.	-.		-.		-.
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned....	217.	-.		-.		-.
Percentage of number insp- ected affected with tuber- culosis.....	35.7.	-.		-.		-.



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Food Poisoning Outbreaks.

Total number of outbreaks.	Number of cases	Number of Deaths.	Organisms or other agents responsible with number of outbreaks of each.	Foods involved with number of outbreaks of each.
Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 & 1948.

Part I of the Act.

INSPECTIONS.

Premises.	M/c line No.(2)	Number on Register.	Number of Inspections.	Written Notices.	Occupiers prosecuted.	M/c line No.(7)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2,3,4, & 6, are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	1	8	19	3	-	1
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	2	6	11	-	-	2
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority & (excluding out-workers premises.)	3	-	-	-	-	3
TOTAL		14.	30	3	-	

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

Particulars.	M/c line No.	Number of cases in which defects were found.	Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.	M/c line No.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Want of cleanliness. (S.1).	4	2		4
Overcrowding (S.2)	5			5
Unreasonable temperature. (S.3)	6			6
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	7			7
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	8			8
Sanitary Conveniences. (S.7) insufficient.	9			9
Unsuitable or defective.	10	1	1	10
Not separate for sexes.	11			11
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outwork)	12	1	1	12
TOTAL	60	4	2	60

SECTION F.

Prevalence of and control over Infectious and other diseases.

TABLE 6.

Notifiable Diseases (Excluding Tuberculosis.)

<u>Name of Diseases.</u>	<u>No. of cases notified.</u>
Scarlet Fever.	19.
Pneumonia.	6.
Typhoid Fever.	1.
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	2.
Measles.	228.
Diphtheria.	1.
Dysentery.	1.
Pertusis.	1.
<u>TOTALS.</u>	<u>259.</u>

TABLE 7.

Analysis of Notified Infectious Diseases. (Excluding Tuberculosis.)

<u>Disease.</u>	<u>No. of cases notified as having occurred among persons of the ages immediately below specified.</u>											
	<u>0 -</u>	<u>1 -</u>	<u>3 -</u>	<u>5 -</u>	<u>10 -</u>	<u>15 -</u>	<u>25 -</u>	<u>35 -</u>	<u>45 -</u>	<u>55 -</u>	<u>65 -</u>	<u>Unknown.</u>
S. Fever.	-	-	1	6	8	1		2	1			
Measles.	6	31	61	124	2	1		1		1		1
Pneumonia.	1								2	2	1	
Typhoid Fever,				1								
Oph. Neon.	2											
Dysentery.							1					
Pertusis.	1											
Diphtheria.							1					
<u>TOTALS.</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

TOTAL 259.

TABLE 8.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Now cases notified during the year 1948.

<u>Age Groups.</u>	<u>Respiratory.</u>		<u>Non-Respiratory.</u>		<u>Total Cases.</u>
	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	
0-	-	-	-	-	-
1-	1	-	1	1	3
15-	1	1	1	-	3
25-	-	-	-	-	-
35-	-	1	-	-	1
45-	-	-	-	-	-
55-	-	-	-	-	-
65-	-	1	-	-	1
<u>Age Unknown.</u>	-	-	-	1	1
<u>All ages.</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>9</u>

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

As from July 5th 1948, the Local Health Authorities (Flintshire County Council) became responsible for immunising all age-groups of the child population against diphtheria. The position in the Urban District at that date is summarised as follows :-

Estimated child population at Mid-year 1948	-	1,783.
Number of children under 15 years who had completed a course of immunisation at 5th July, 1948.	-	1,447.

